# Hunting and Trapping

# **Emergency Order**

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

**Emergency Order** 05-02-25

**Issued at** Nome, Alaska February 12, 2025

**Effective Date:** 11:59 p.m.

February 14, 2025

**Expiration Date:** 11:59 p.m. June 30, 2025

## **EXPLANATION:**

This Emergency Order closes the State of Alaska resident winter season for antlered bull moose by registration permit hunt RM843 in Unit 22(B), that portion west of the Darby Mountains, at 11:59 p.m. on February 14, 2025 (*Note: this area is identified as the Remainder of Unit 22(B) in the Regulation Section, below*). The combined quota for the fall RM840 and winter RM843 seasons is anticipated to be met by the date announced in this emergency order and no further harvest is warranted.

#### **REGULATION:**

Therefore, the following regulations in 5 AAC 85.045 (a) (20), HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR MOOSE are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting moose in the Remainder of Unit 22(B):

	Resident
	Open Season
	(Subsistence and
<b>Units and Bag Limits</b>	<b>General Hunts</b> )

Nonresident Open Season

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Remainder of Unit 22(B)

**RESIDENT HUNTERS:** 

1 bull by registration Sept. 1 - Sept. 14

permit only; or

1 antlered bull by Jan. 1 – Jan 31 registration permit only Feb. 8 - 14

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS: No open season.

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All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 22 remain unchanged by this emergency order.

Doug Vincent-Lang Commissioner

By delegation to: Sara Henslu

Sara Henslee Area Biologist

## **JUSTIFICATION:**

The Alaska Board of Game established a winter moose registration permit hunt RM843 in Unit 22(B) West which is administered with a quota to prevent overharvest and split with the fall RM840 season. The department set an annual harvest quota of 40 bulls for regulatory year 2024-2025 based on the results of the 2022 spring abundance survey.

After harvest fell short of the annual quota due to poor hunting conditions in January, the Department received and approved requests from the City of White Mountain and City of Golovin to reopen the RM843 antlered bull hunting season on February 8. The combined quota for the fall and winter seasons is anticipated to be met by the date announced in this emergency order and no further harvest is warranted.

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